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Re: Exparte Notification and Informal Comments;
Procedures for Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees (MD Docket No. 12 -201);
Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2013 (MD Docket No. 13 - 140); and Assessment and Collection of
Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2008 (MD Docket No. 08 -65)

Dear Ms. Dortch;

Yesterday I had a telephonic conversation with Debora Weiner and Lauren Belvin of the Administrative Law Division, Office of General Counsel.

In that conversation I briefly reviewed the recent history of Fireweed, and the history of its seeking waivers, being in redlight status, being unable to pay the fees in arrears, and thus caught up in being unable to comply with some FCC rules. I mentioned that everything was well documented in Fireweed's comments. I was asked if I had sought a settlement. I said that to my understanding the Commission will not allow a settlement where fees are not eventually fully paid, something that the station cannot do that I had no idea who to ask, and that in the past people in OMD seem not to have any interest in talking, so no, I have not. I was told they would try to get me a connection with someone "downstairs".

During the meeting I was asked if they should file the exparte notification in 12-201. That puzzled me. Due to that comment, I now realize I should have cross filed everything in all three captioned proceedings and will do so after posting this exparte notification.

The original comment in this proceeding was filed 06/19/2013. I erred in uploading a draft, however, this link is to the portion that deals with history: <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/view?id=7520922584>

I posted the final Comments on 06/21/2013. There is a cover letter asking consideration of the slightly late filing, and a proper version of the comments. Most notable; the final comments have a complete statement regarding low band VHF, and the inequity of charging LB VHF stations the same or more than high band or UHF stations. This is a link to the Comments, properly filed. <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/view?id=7520923940>

On 08/05/2013 I filed informal comments and an exparte notification. In the informal comments at the top of the page, I suggest specific language for rules that could be adopted which I believe would be more equitable to Fireweed and others similarly situated: <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/view?id=7520936114>

Finally, on 06/19/2013 I filed IRFA comments: <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/view?id=7520922593>

Finally, in the interest of completeness, I will cross file the exparte and comments filed in 12-201 into the other two dockets separately following upload of this letter.

Yours truly,

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